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Ladies' New Stock Collars, from
25c. to \$3.50
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Children's Dresses\$1.00 to \$5.00
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Real Lace Handkerchiefs
.....\$1.00 to \$13.00
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Special Sales for Monday

Ready-to-Wear Hats, worth up to \$4.25.

Monday, \$1.00

Dressing Sacsques, Regular \$1.75

Monday, 75c

Pattern Hats, worth up to \$17.00.

Monday, \$5.00

Just the Prices That You Want to Pay

Hand Bags30c. to \$18.50
Handkerchief and Glove Boxes,
per set35c. to 45c.
Ebony Goods65c. to \$7.00
Sofa Cushions\$1.50 to \$4.75
Umbrellas50c. to \$13.50
Toys and Dolls25c. to \$5.00
Furs90c. to \$53.00
Fancy Linens50c. to \$5.00
Fancy Novelties15c. to \$10.00
Toilet Sets in Cases\$2.00 to \$7.00
Ribbons25c. to 75c. yard
Belts25c. to \$3.50
Lace Ties25c. to \$1.50
Ladies' Hose30c. to \$2.00

THE HUTCHESON CO., LTD., VICTORIA, B.C.

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What Some People Say

That Klenamsteddnooth, the Indian prisoner from Naxhitti only needs a "sky" or an "Ovitch" on the end of his name to be a full-fledged Russian general.

That Abraham Joyce of Fernie must have troubles of his own in keeping track of his various official titles.

That the children are counting in days now.

That it looks like a green Christmas this time.

That it is about time to plant the New Year resolutions.

That the mistletoe game cannot be started too soon.

That although 'George Washington threw a dollar across the Potomac he couldn't make a dollar go that far at Christmas time.

GENEROUS PUPILS.

Yesterday at the Victoria public schools there was a happy scene to be witnessed as the children trooped in bearing all sorts of articles from their own abundance as offerings to their poorer friends for Christmas tide. The children exceeded the record of former years in the number, variety and value of their gifts this year, and it was a grand pile, indeed, that was borne by wagon to the Market Hall, where the distribution will take place, under the auspices of the Friendly Help Society. Those contributions will be duly acknowledged separately by the society in a later issue of the Colonist. Tomorrow, Tuesday and Wednesday opportunity will be offered the public to add to those contributions from the school children, and on Thursday the various articles will be distributed at the Market hall, beginning about 10 o'clock in the morning and continuing until all are given

away. The ladies of the Friendly Help Society are very much pleased with the results of the voluntary contributions this year.

BYLAWS UPHOLD.

Mr. Justice Martin Dismisses Action Taken by Mrs. Cameron.

In the Supreme court yesterday Mr. Justice Martin handed down his decision in the application made on behalf of Mrs. Jessie Cameron to have the two bylaws providing for the expropriation of certain property and the extension of Bridge Walk quashed.

His lordship's decision has the effect of upholding the bylaws. He said: "On further consideration of this matter, I am unable to find any merits in the objections raised against these bylaws, and consequently, the rule nisi is discharged with costs."



A Ready Reference For Inexpensive Xmas Gifts

For 25c.

Silver Thimble,
Tie Clips,
Leather Watch Chains,
Emery Sewing Balls,
Glass and Sterling Silver Penmade Jars,
Napkin Rings,
Beauty Pins,
Stick Pins, Etc., Etc.

For 50c.

Silver Cuff Links,
Silver Shoe Horns,
Silver Nail Files,
Bangle Bracelets,
Silver-plated Nut Crackers,
Ebony Glove Stretcher,
Paper Knife,
Combs,
Silver Thimbles,
Silver Penicil, Etc., Etc.

For 75c.

Bib Holders,
Cut Glass and Silver Tooth Brush Holders and Pomade Jars,
Belt Buckles,
Blouse Set,
Ebony Hat Brush,
Tape Measure,
Card Case,
Cut Glass and Silver Perfume Bottle.

For \$1.00

Tobacco Pouch,
Purse and Pocket Book,
Gun Metal or Silver Blotter,
Reading Glass,
Cigarette Holder,
Cigar Cutter,
Cut Glass and Silver Perfume Bottles,
Calendars,
Silver-plated Sugar Shell,
Silver Scissors.

For \$1.25

Pearl Handle Fruit Knife,
Silver and Glass Inkwell,
Perfume Atomizer,
Gun Metal or Silver Match Box,
Stamp Box,
Gent's Wallet,
Enamel Pencils,
Salt and Pepper Shaker,
Locket, Etc., Etc.

For \$1.50

Silver Cigar Cutters,
Fancy China Hand-decorated Plates,
Cut Glass Mustard Pot,
Cut Glass Vase,
Baby Solid Silver Spoon,
Solid Silver Handle Shaving Brush,
Solid Silver Napkin Ring,
Ebony Hair Brush,
Silver Mounted Hat Dusters.

For \$1.75

Child's Sets Knife, Fork and Spoon,
Solid Gold Rings,
Glass and Gun Metal Ash Tray,
Half dozen Best Plated Tea Spoons,
Gold-filled Cuff Links,
Mueilage Pot,
Solid Silver Baby's Rattle,
Solid Silver Postage Stamp Box.

For \$2.00

Cut Glass and Sterling Silver Puff Boxes,
Gold Pens,
Ladies' Leather Purse,
Silver and Glass Breakfast Cruet,
Good Quality Compass,
Cigar Lighter,
Solid Silver Bon Bon Tray.

For \$2.50

Silver-plated Berry Spoon,
Shinske Hand Bag,
Fancy Bedroom Clock,
Pearl Collarette,
Solid Silver Bracelet,
Coral Chain,
Evening Fan,
Gent's Walking Stick.

For \$3.00

Ebony Military Brush,
Watch (guaranteed),
Child's Silver Cup,
Gun Metal Cigarette Holder,
Fountain Pen,
Ladies' Belts,
Ebony Mirror,
Oak Butter Dish.

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Beautiful Cut Glass Vase,
Solid Gold Cuff Links,
Tobacco Jar,
Solid Gold Locket,
Gent's Traveling Sets.

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Solid Silver Child's Cup,
Solid Silver Back Hair Brush,
Solid Gold Necklet,
Pair of Eyeglasses,
Pair of Opera Glasses,
Gent's Watch Chain,
Ladies' Hand Bag.

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Dent's Edition of Shakespeare at Hibben's.

McClary's famous Stoves and Steel Ranges at Clarke & Pearson's, 17 Yates street.

The Prospector, by Ralph Connor, at Hibben's.

Carbon Photos framed in Flemish oak and liberally furnished in leaf gold. A choice selection of subjects at Weiler Bros'. One of these would make a handsome gift.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Y. M. C. A.—The usual informal song service will be held this evening in the Y. M. C. A. room after church hours. Strangers are specially invited.

Lecture Tonight.—Dr. Yates will lecture tonight in institute hall at 8 o'clock on "The Early Development of Christianity." Admission is free.

Will Sing Solo.—At this evening's service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church Miss C. A. Smith will sing the contralto solo, "O Rest in the Lord," from Mendelssohn's "Elijah."

Tuesday Club.—The Tuesday Club will hold its regular meeting in North Ward, December 20th, in the Alexandra Club at 4 p. m. Subjects, Christmas, Shakespeare, Dickens, Thackeray, Kipling, etc.

Pastor's Lecture.—Dr. Campbell's subject at First Presbyterian church this evening will be "The Mystery of the Human Race, or Did All Men, Negro, Mongolian and Caucasian, Descend from Adam and Eve?"

Psychic Research.—An inspirational lecture will be given under the auspices of the Psychic Research Society by the famous psychic, Mrs. J. N. Foster, this evening at 8 o'clock. Subject, "Is a Good God and a Suffering People a Contradiction?"

Will Probably Run.—It is altogether likely that W. J. Hanna will be a candidate for municipal honors in North Ward. Mr. Hanna's friends feel he could do good work in connection with the pending settlement of the Songhees' reserve question.

To Pay Compensation.—At tomorrow evening's meeting of the City Council Mayor Barnard will recommend the introduction of a bylaw to borrow the sum of \$25,000 to compensate those damaged by the extension of Douglas street, and to complete the filling in of the James Bay flats.

Amateur Theatricals.—The Cedar Hill Dramatic Club present the three-act comedy, "Bright Day," in Temperance hall, Cedar Hill, next Tuesday evening, the 20th inst., at 8 o'clock. The play will be preceded by a short musical programme. All those who attend are assured an enjoyable evening.

Friendly Help.—As Christmas time is drawing near, the Friendly Help Association would respectfully ask for the usual donations of articles of new clothing, etc., which may be sent to Market hall, so that those whom the Saviour says "we shall always have with us" can be made more comfortable and cheerful on this happy season of peace and good will to men.

Refuge Home.—Owing to the numerous applications for admittance to the Refuge Home, the committee would ask any friend who has a single bed, mattress, or other bed-room furniture, if they would kindly donate the same to the institution as soon as possible, as there are several unfurnished rooms which are ready to be fitted up for use.

Located Property.—James Orr, ex-M. P., one of the foremost politicians of the province, has just returned to the city after a visit to the interior, where he located a valuable quartz property. Mr. Orr had this claim in view 25 years ago, but it was worthless until now, because of its inaccessibility; but with better transportation facilities, it has now become a very valuable holding.

Christmas at Hospital.—Those kind friends who send year by year holly, evergreens, plants and cut flowers to decorate the hospital for the Christmas festival at the Jubilee hospital, are again asked to repeat the kindness. The Daughters of City are arranging for the Christmas trees in several wards, and all contributions may be sent to the hospital not later than Friday, the 23rd, and will be most gratefully received.

Private Secretary.—At the first of the year Mr. J. Muskett, who is now a master at the Collegiate school, will become private secretary to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Since the departure of Mr. R. B. Powell for F.R., the duties of private secretary have been performed by Mr. E. O. S. Sedgewick, the provincial librarian, who will soon be engaged with the extra work attendant on the sitting of the legislature over James Bay.

Lodge Meeting and Social, A. O. F.—At the next meeting of Court Victoria on Wednesday a large attendance is requested, it being the last meeting of the year and there will be important business to attend to. Final arrangements for a Christmas tree and social dance will be held January 3rd in the A. O. U. W. hall, will be made. After the meeting there will be the regular monthly social dance.

Poultry Club.—A meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held at H. E. Levy's restaurant, 124 Government street, on Tuesday next at 8 p. m. A full attendance is requested as it is not now very many days before the show will be held. This year it will be held in the old Methodist church building. Catalogues are now ready and may be had from W. A. Jameson, the secretary, 71 Fort street.

Stationary Engineers.—At the regular meeting of the Victoria Stationary Engineers' Association, held last Thursday evening in their rooms, Five Sisters block, a fourth of the series of papers now being given by the members was read by Mr. F. C. Winterburn, his subject being "Injectors." It was given in a very able manner and illustrated on the blackboard by diagrams, etc., and was greatly appreciated by the members present.

Knights of Pythias.—There was a large attendance at last convention of Far West Lodge, K. of P., at which several candidates were initiated and six new applications for membership were received. The matter of amalgamating Far West with Victoria Lodge was discussed, and it was decided to make an effort to bring the two lodges into one, the largest lodge in British Columbia. Friday next the rank of page will be conferred.

Visiting London.—Many Victorians will be interested in learning that Mr. Clement Rowlands, who has so often charmed Victoria audiences with his melodious voice, is at present in England, together with his wife and child. He is enjoying a year's vacation from his position as leader in the First Presbyterian church, Oakland, and has been visiting his old home in Wales and other parts of the old land. Mr. Rowlands, in a letter to friends here, states that he is disappointed in his visit owing to the evidences of poverty on all sides. He will return to Oakland in the spring.

Increases Inspectors.—According to a despatch from Washington, appearing in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, on account of the restoration of the Japanese line of steamers plying between Puget Sound ports and the Orient, the force of customs inspectors in the Sound district will be increased by about five in the near future. This is one of the results of the visit here of Collector Ide, who left for the coast tonight. Arrangements will be made to facilitate inspections on the new trains of the Great Northern road which cross the border. The inspections will take place at Blaine. According to an official letter sent to-day by the treasury department to-day, the pay and emoluments of Collector Ide during the last fiscal year amounted to \$5,500.

NOTES ON POTTERY.

What a host of pleasant memories are conjured up in the mind of the collector when Worcester china is mentioned! What beauties of form and of color—what perfection of material and workmanship—associated with generations with that ancient birth! These qualities are perpetuated in a marked degree by the Hadley ware, a new faience introduced by Messrs. James Hadley & Sons, of the Ceramic Studios, Worcester.

The Hadley ware differs from the Royal Worcester in various important details, although both agree in general excellence of form, material and color. One of the most striking features of the Hadley production is its rich and lustrous coloring, due mainly to the tinted reliefs and inlays and to the softening effects of a leadless glaze. These tinted reliefs—handles, etc., are of colored clay, which gives, in the finished ware, a peculiar richness that cannot be attained by ordinary surface painting. The new ware is made on many beautiful shapes of vases, flower bowls, pedestal jars, cups, plates, etc.

The lines of the thoroughness of display great purity, some of the most beautiful forms being based on classical Greek, with details suggestive of the Renaissance style—favorite subjects for panel ornamentation, are blue, red, yellow, roses, daffodils, violets and blackberry vines, placed upon a tinted and shaded ground with an atmospheric effect. The decorative brushwork is done by artists specially trained for the purpose, by this means the full range of soft, lustrous brilliancy of coloring which marks the Hadley ware, is brought out.

This lovely ware is fast acquiring fame and increasing value among collectors as one of the great English pieces of the present day. The china would do well to place one or two carefully chosen examples in their cabinet.

Weiler Bros., Government street, are the agents, and have always on hand a selection of the latest productions. A piece of this ware would make an exquisite gift.

One of the finest displays ever made in Smokers' Articles is to be seen in the show windows of Mr. H. Salmon, the pioneer tobacconist, corner of Yates and Government streets. They embrace many novelties and comprise absolutely everything in smoking goods. Some very elegant gold and silver pouches and pipes and amber goods in new designs, as well as the very best meerschaum goods, carved and plain, are to be seen. Beautiful holly display. Mr. Salmon also makes a specialty of his own brand of briar pipes, which are silver mounted, and are made of the very best picked briar root and ivory screws with vulcanite or horn mouthpieces. These are made in Great Britain and Mr. Salmon states that they are equal in every respect to any well known brand for which the public pays as high as two or three dollars. The price of these pipes are one dollar only, and they are guaranteed not to burn or crack for one year. Mr. Salmon also supplies those pipes on receipt of price to any address, post free. He will be glad to show these goods to any jolly smoker who has been in the habit of purchasing more expensive brands.

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\$25.00 to \$30.00

Regular prices from \$30 to \$40. The Best Ever Shown in the City.

JUST A FEW LEFT—AT

PEDEN'S

MERCHANT TAILOR.

30 Fort Street.

Christmas Puck at Hibben's.

Williams & Co. for Underwear and Pyjamas.

Brass Bird Cages at Cheapside.

Williams & Co. for Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.

Christmas Ladies' Pictorial at Hibben's.

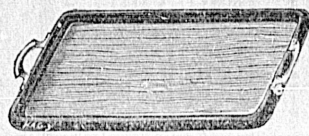
The Dickens' Plates in Cobalt Blue have a charming pictorial effect. Scenes from David Copperfield and Coaching Days, and the price is 35c. each at Weiler Bros.

Children's Mugs, 15c. to 35c.; Cups, Saucers and Plates, 20c. to \$1.00; Knife and Fork, 15c.; Knife, Fork and Spoon, 25c. to \$2.25; Children's 24-piece sets, \$1.50; Bread Knives, 25c. to 75c.; Carvers, 60c. to \$1.50; Knives, \$1.50 to \$10.00 dozen, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Campbell's Ladies' Outfitting Emporium, Fort street, is the headquarters for European novelties for Christmas Gifts in everything in their line. Make a note of it when you are out in search of something really nice for nice presents for nice friends.

Meat Choppers are in great demand at this season

OAK TRAYS



An article of real utility and appreciable in every home is an Oak Tray. We have them in all sizes—polished or dull finish.

Light or Dark Oak Trays

Dull

16-inch, \$2.00; 18-inch, \$2.25; 20-inch, \$2.50; 22-inch, \$3.00; 24-inch, \$3.50.

Dark Oak Trays

Fine Polish

NICKELLED HANDLES.

16-inch, \$3.25; 18-inch, \$3.50; 20-inch, \$3.75; 22-inch, \$4.50; 24-inch, \$5.00 each.

Silver Mounted Oak Goods

Oak Butter Dishes, Plated Mounts, two styles, at \$3.00, \$3.50 each.
Oak Biscuit Barrels, from \$3.50.
Oak Salad Bowls, with servers, plated mounts, carved, \$10.00 each.

Writing Desks

Fine Polished Walnut Desks, inlaid brass, two styles, \$5.50, \$6.00 each.



Hearth Rugs

Reversible Smyrna Hearth Rugs, beautiful colorings, exclusive designs, \$3.50, \$5.50, \$7.00 each.

Mohair Rugs

In rich crimson, gold, olive pink or blue, \$6.50 each. Large size, \$12.00 each.

French Wilton Rugs

Choice designs in two sizes, \$4.25 and \$6.00 each.

Mecca Rugs

In beautiful color tones, \$4.00, \$9.00, \$12.00 each.

Imperial Rugs

Fine, heavy quality, \$8.00, \$10.00 each. Imitation Down Cotton covered.

Cushions

From 50c. to \$1.25 each. Covered with sateen or silk, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each.

ODORLESS

Sanitary Pillows

\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25 each.



FACTS from WEILER'S "HIM"

Include a "Rubdry" Towel in your offerings to

On Christmas morning. With a rub down with a Rubdry after his bath, he will only touch the high spots going down town.

Rubdry de Luxe

\$1.35 EACH.

Don't wind one round the water pipe—makes the meter run too fast.



If You Don't Quite Know What to Buy or Where to Go

for your Christmas selection, don't hesitate a moment—

Come Right to Our Store

You will be delighted with the elegant displays of useful presents arranged for your inspection.



FACTS from WEILER'S Witch Cauldron

A Dining Room, to be right up to date, should contain a

The latest Coal Vase. We have just received a nice assortment of these direct from England, in

DULL BLACK, \$2.50.

With Brass or Copper Bands, \$3.50.

Macbeth Cauldrons, \$4.75.

Nelson Cauldron, \$6.00.

All Brass for the Drawing Room, \$12.00.



EIDERDOWNS

OUR STOCK OF

Eiderdowns offers a very choice assortment, unsurpassed in coloring and design.

SPECIAL

Sateen and Chintz Covered Eiderdowns, 5x6, \$5.50 each.

Finer Grades, \$9.00 to \$35.00 each.

Real Scotch Blankets

Seasonable Offerings

8 pounds, \$7.00 pair; 9 pounds, \$8.00 pair; 10 pounds, \$9.00 pair.

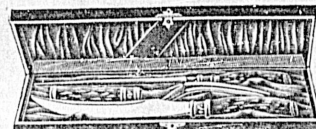
"The best wearing blanket in the world."

Manchester Goods

If you want something really good in Fine Table Damasks, Handsome Irish Linen Bedspreads, or 5 o'clock Tea Cloths, don't miss seeing our splendid selection.

Doylies, Tray Cloths, Table Napkins, Bureau Scarfs, Table Centres, etc.

CASE GOODS



A very acceptable and exceedingly popular Christmas Gift is a

Case of Carvers

A pair of nice Buck Carvers, with Steel to match, mounted in silk-lined Case for \$1.00 is just all right.

We have them, though, up to \$20.00.

Fish Carvers

Durable Electroplate, of pleasing design, with celluloid or pearl handles, in cases from \$4.50 up.

Dessert Knives

Dessert Knives and Forks, best quality Silver Plate and celluloid or pearl handles, from \$10.00 half dozen upwards.

Fish Knives and Forks

Fish Knives and Forks, pretty designs, in reliable plate with celluloid or pearl handles, from \$10.00 half dozen.

STOCKS BIGGER, BETTER, BRIGHTER, THAN EVER

On the Second Floor

Chenille Curtains, in all colorings, from \$4.50 pair.

Tapestry Curtains, in many styles, from \$2.75 pair.

Chenille Table Covers, from \$1.00 each.

Tapestry Covers, all sizes, from 75c. each.

Swiss Lace Curtains, from \$4.50 pair.

Fancy Sofa Cushions in artistic coverings, from \$2.25 each.

Silk Embroidered Piano and Mantel Drapes, from \$3.00 each.

Florentine Striped Silk Ties, from 50c. each.

Christmas Joys are doubled by giving and receiving gifts that are useful—gifts that will serve a useful purpose—seen and enjoyed by all. Here is a list of the customary suggestions that the season allows, each section claiming distinction for a full variety, and you may rest assured that you will be perfectly satisfied with the wide range of choice that our immense stock affords. Come in and look around. You will receive a hearty welcome.

See Our Goods Before Deciding What to Buy

The Big Furnishing Store



The Store for the People and for You

Needle Cases Free

Get a Needle Case before they are all gone. We are giving these away free to every lady leaving her name at the store.

A 230 Page Book Free

Our handsomely illustrated catalogue of 230 pages, devoted exclusively to Home Furnishing, will be found very useful in the selection of Xmas Gifts. Free for the asking.

Our Picture Gallery

Comprises a nice collection of Holiday Pictures, the most prominent and popular being the Photographic Reproductions of Famous Paintings in the National and Walker Art Galleries. These are neatly framed and price from \$2.75 to \$10.00 each.

A large selection of fine Engravings from \$6.50 to \$15.00 each.

Novelties for Men

Brethly Novelty Ash Trays, "if he loves a joke," 50c., 75c. each.

Brethly Tobacco Jars, 85c., \$1.00 each.

Oak and Silver Cigar Cabinets, two divisions, price \$9.00 each.

Beautifully Decorated Glass and China Cigar and Cigarette Jars, best quality, electroplated mounts, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00 each.

Doulton Tobacco Jars, Toby Decoration, from \$1.00.

Doulton Match Holders, \$1.00 each.

Devon Match Stands, 35c., 50c. each.

Aller Vale Tobacco Jars, 50c. each.

Elegantly fitted Razor and Manicure Cases, Joseph Rodgers make, real Morocco, price \$7.50.

Shaving Cups and Badger Brushes, Nickel, \$1.50.

Shaving Stands, with Reversible Mirror, fitted on Telescopic Stand, with cups for soaps and brushes, price complete, \$9.00.

Shaving Brushes, pure Badger Bristles, 50c. each.

Sterling Silver Mounted Shaving Brushes, from \$2.50 each.

Silver Plated Whist and Cribbage Board, \$4.50.

Sterling Silver Match Safes, \$1.75 up.

Silver-Plated Smokers' Sets, \$4.00 up.

Comb Sets, Sterling Mounts, \$1.00 each.

Hunting Pictures for his Den—The Meet, Breakfast, The Gilt, Breaking Cover, \$3.00, \$4.50 each.

Reading Lamps, from \$2.50 each.

Cigar Cutters, brass, \$1.00 each.

Benare's Beakers, from 30c. each.

A choice selection of Bronzed and Brass Inkstands, from \$1.00 up.

Military Brushes, Sterling Silver mounts, with and without cases, \$2.50 to \$7.50 pair.

A Brilliant Collection

Beautiful Cut Glass from the famous Libbey Factory, where the art attains perfection.

Richly cut Bowls, from \$6.00 up.

Sugars and Creams, from \$8.00 pair.

Decanters, new shapes, \$18.00 each.

Claret Jugs, \$12.00 to \$18.00 each.

Perfume Bottles, \$4.50 to \$6.00 each.

Flower Vases, \$3.50 to \$10.00 each.

Bonbons and Olives, from \$4.50 each.

Candlesticks, \$8.00 pair.

Celery Dishes, from \$9.00 each.

Preserve Dishes, from \$5.00 each.

Rose Bowls, \$12.00 to \$14.00 each.

Water Bottles, \$10.00 to \$14.00 each.

Silver Mounted Fumed Oak Goods

are conceptions out of the common, designs from art workers who have left the impress of a skill that stands for real merit—a few prices.

Ash Receivers, \$7.50 each.

Loving Cups and Covered Mugs, \$9.00 each.

Fern Pots, \$12.00 each.

Steins and Vases, \$15.00 each.

Pitchers, Lovings Cups and Steins, \$18.00 each.

Steins and Growlers, \$20.00 each.

Royal Worcester Vases, from \$4.50.

Steins, in two sizes, \$1.50, \$2.50 each.

Ridgway's Blue Plaques, 35c. each.

Sienna Art Ware, a large choice from 50c. to \$3.00 each.

Dessert Plates, English China samples, \$1.00 to \$2.00 each.

Doulton Vases, from \$2.25 each.

Goss China Loving Cups, \$4.00 each.

Brethly Vases, an immense selection, from 25c. to \$3.00 each.

Artistic Brethly Umbrella Holders, \$6.50, \$8.50 each.

For a Gift

A handsome piece of china would be more acceptable to many than any other selections. There's a niche in every home for a pretty Vase or Ornament.

Hadley Worcester

Vases, Sugars and Creams, Potpourri Jars, etc., in the most charming decorations. There is true art in these imitations of nature, \$2.50 to \$18.00 each.

Who Wants Them

About 50 pieces of beautiful Carlton Ware—Vases, Jugs, Teapots, Jardinières, Salad Bowls, Sugars and Creams, in two very rich decorations, Vellum Ground laid and a rich Crown Derby, the exact duplicate of that chosen by King Edward for the Royal Salad Bowl.

Vases and Jardinières, \$4.75 up.

Salad Bowls, from \$4.00 each.

Fruit Dishes, from \$2.00 each.

Jugs and Teapots, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

All Carlton Ware.

Cups and Saucers

5 O'clock Teacups and Saucers, After Dinner Coffees, Full Size Teas and larger cups for the men. A fine assortment, which includes a Maker's Samples—only one of a kind. Prices 25c. each to \$18.00 a dozen.

Bread and Butter Plates to match Cups and Saucers, from \$2.00 to \$12.00 dozen.

Dainty Sugars and Creams, in great variety of style and design, 50c. to \$6.50 pair.

Whimsically designed figures of animals, Vases, etc., of faience conception, By Baron, 25c. to \$3.00.

Aller Vale Ware

This popular counter claims considerable attention from Christmas shoppers, all prices from 25c. to \$3.50 each.



OUR FURNITURE SECTION

Offers some very choice suggestions for practical Gifts to serve a useful purpose. Here are a few, but it needs a personal inspection of our Show Rooms to fully acquaint you with the breadth of choice and design.

Morris Chairs

Have you ever experienced the real, solid comfort of a Morris Chair? Simply constructed, easily adjusted.

Upholstered in Denim, \$30.00.

Tapestry Covering, \$10.00, \$12.00.

Leather Covered Cushions, \$18.00.

Parlor Tables

A splendid choice, from \$3.00 to \$25.00 each.

Reception Chairs

Odd Parlor Chairs, in a large selection of coverings, from \$5.00 each upwards.

Parlor Suites

Upholstered in Tapestry, from \$25.00 up.

Jardiniere Stands

In an immense variety of designs, from \$2.25 each.

Lounges and Couches

Upholstered in Tapestry, from \$7.00 to \$18.00 each.

Students' Easy Chairs

Hollow Seat, most comfortable, Tapestry coverings, from \$9.00 up.

Music and Book Cabinets

A large choice, from \$3.50 upwards.

Preserved Palms

These Perpetuated Palms are very popular for interior adornment; no water, no attention; good all the year.

60c., 75c., \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50 each.

Any Old Jug

Won't do for many people. Here is something that's a little different.

Dutch Jugs, in Sienna Art Ware, decorated with scenes from Coaching Days, 50c. 75c.

Old Greek Jugs, rich classical decorations, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 each.

Wedgwood Jugs, four sizes, 80c., \$1.10, \$1.30, \$1.50 each.

Vienna Jugs, rich yet daintily decorated in a glory of gold with pink and blue grounds.

Devonshire Jugs, quaint styles, plain and mottled, 50c., 75c., \$1.00 each.

Chocolate Sets

Seen them? A large, handsome jug and six Cups and Saucers to match make a set. Placed on a nice Oak Tray, the right, snappy, rich decorations show up to full advantage. Price \$6.00, \$8.00, \$9.50 set.

A Chance for Everybody

Very opportunely we have a fine selection of

Tea Services

In English and Austrian China. These sets of 40 pieces contain 12 Cups and Saucers, 12 Plates, 2 Cake Plates, Slop and Cream, and include all styles from neat printed designs in various colors to the rich Crown Derby of Persian character. Priced from \$5.00 to \$45.00 set.

The Very best

Does not always mean the most expensive.

Furnival's Pottery stands in front of most competitors, but it is very reasonable in price, for example:

10 pieces White and Gold Toilet sets, \$3.00 set.

93 pieces White and Gold Dinner sets, \$18.00 set.

Miscellaneous

Although a very important question, that of choosing Christmas Presents, it has not an entire monopoly of our thoughts. There are other things around the home which perhaps need renewing previous to the festive gathering. For example, do you want new

Linoleum

In the Kitchen or Hall? We have positively the largest selection in Western Canada, from 35c. to \$1.00 square yard.

Door Mats

Now is the time to have good Mats around. They save an immense amount of labor.

Cocoa Mats, from 75c. up.

Wire Mats, from \$1.25 each.

Rubber Mats, from \$2.00 each.

Table Glassware

See that your stock is complete.

Tumblers, from 75c. dozen.

Wines, from \$1.00 dozen.

Water Jugs, from 50c. each.

Cake Stands, 60c. each.

Celery Trays, from 40c. each.

Xmas Presents

Just the thing for Father, Mother or any one else that likes solid comfort.

It will pay you to look at our fine stock of

Morris Reclining Chairs

HOLLOW SEAT CHAIRS and SPRING SEAT EASY CHAIRS

Morris Reclining Chair, with Tapestry Cushion.....\$ 8.00 up
 " " " " " Velour Cushion 10.75 up
 Hollow Seat Chairs in Tapestry and Velour 5.50 up
 Spring Seat Easy Chairs, well upholstered, from..... \$4.50 to 19.00

Smith & Champion,

'Phone 718. 100 Douglas Street
 STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

Emphatic Savings in The B. C. Furniture Co's Closing Out Sale

Christmas Gifts of Rare

An announcement of great importance to the people of Victoria who are now contemplating purchasing for holidays, either for the home or presentation purposes.

Morris Chairs	Tabourettes
Easy Chairs	Parlor Tables
Book Cases	Dining Tables
Pictures	Buffets
Music Cabinets	Dinner Sets
Writing Desks	China Closets



and all other lines are complete and attractive. To fully appreciate the money-saving importance of the items mentioned herein, we invite you to our store and compare our Furniture with other sold elsewhere at higher prices.

China, Glassware and Lamps

Bargains never equalled in any other store in British Columbia

While our prices have been extremely low during the Closing Out Sale, we are now making further reductions on Fancy Chinaware and Holiday Goods.



B. C. FURNITURE CO.

66-68 GOVERNMENT STREET

Local News.

Police Court Clerkship.—It is learned that there is quite a number of applications for the position of clerk of the police court, rendered vacant by the death of Mr. Frank Page. The choice rests with the city council.

Is Recovering.—Mrs. Fred Peters, who has been in St. Joseph's hospital for three or four weeks past and who has been under a very dangerous operation from which it was hardly hoped she would recover, is now much better and steadily improving.

Successful Recital.—Yesterday afternoon in Waitt's Hall the pupils of Miss Archbutt and Miss Messenger gave a very delightful recital, which was listened to by a large gathering of parents and friends. The proficiency shown by the young students said much for the careful and skillful training imparted by Miss Archbutt. The programme as published in full in the Colonist yesterday morning, was adhered to throughout.

Sidney Mill Sale.—Sheriff Richards yesterday at Sidney offered for sale the Sidney mill, the lumber in stock and the appurtenances. The sale of the lumber realized sufficient to meet the demands upon the mill property. The mill and its outfit were, therefore, not sold.

"Pretty Peggy" Returns.—Telegrams from Vancouver yesterday evening made positive the assurance that Victoria's request for a return of Miss Jane Corcoran in "Pretty Peggy" has been granted, and the Alston-Baxter Company will again be seen in this picturesque and very satisfactory comedy on Thursday evening next. That it is well worth patronizing is willingly attested by those who witnessed the production last Monday evening and headed the appeal for a return. The cordiality of the audience on that occasion was much appreciated by the star and company. Miss Corcoran writing that she has never played to a more sensitive audience or one responding more quickly to touches of true art. The box plan for subscribers will open tomorrow morning at nine, and seats may be secured by others the morning following.

Seriously Ill.—It was reported yesterday evening that Simeon Duck, one of the pioneers of Victoria and a large property holder, was seriously ill, his condition being such as to cause his relatives and friends the gravest apprehension for the outcome.

Tuesday Evening's Concert.—Miss Marrack will give a concert on Tuesday evening next at Institute Hall. The programme of varied and interesting character, will consist of some very effective numbers in the shape of ladies' quartettes, sextettes and trios, besides others for male and female voices, solos, some of the latest songs with violin obligato. An extremely fascinating dance in Japanese costume by fourteen young ladies is another attractive feature. The programme, which will be given in full in Tuesday's Colonist, contains in addition an amusing comic sketch by prominent local actors. Tickets for reserved seats may be marked at Waitt & Co.'s music store on Monday and Tuesday. Miss Marrack's success as a concert promoter needs no comment. "The Pirates of Penzance" was a good example of the kind of treat in store for her patrons.

Great Holiday Piano Sale FOR THIS WEEK

Our sales this month have been very heavy, undoubtedly owing to the special rebate given during December, a number of splendid Pianos having been sold to leading citizens. We have a large stock left and for THIS WEEK ONLY we offer a special 10 PER CENT. and \$25 REBATE. This is something worth considering and THIS OFFER stands without precedent in this country. The prices quoted here are our regular selling prices. The 10 PER CENT. and \$25 REBATE comes off these prices.

Heintzman & Co. Pianos

Made for over 50 years, recognized as Canada's favorite
 \$375, \$425, \$500, \$550

Dominion Pianos

The price is right, they sell at sight
 \$250, \$325, \$425, \$475

Nordheimer Pianos

Artistic and Elegant
 \$400, \$450, \$500, \$600



Palmer Pianos

Positively the best value for the money on the market
 \$300, \$325, \$350, \$375

Karn Pianos

Models of general excellence, strictly high grade
 \$350, \$375, \$450, \$500

A Gift of \$25 with Every
 Piano Sold

Ten Per Cent. Off to All Cash
 Purchasers

An Offer like this coming from Such a Reliable House as ours Means a good deal. Remember we do not ask a fancy price for our Pianos or advance our prices in order to make this liberal rebate. Our prices remain the same at all times. Don't put the purchase of a Piano off. Make up your mind and call on us this week and take advantage of this generous and genuine offer.

M. W. Waite & Co., Limited,

ESTABLISHED 1862

44 GOVERNMENT ST.,

Piano Showrooms First Floor

Cheap Homes

Price \$400 to \$650

\$50 Cash and \$10 per month will purchase a home in the Fernwood Estate, near the end of the Pandora Street Tram Line.

PEMBERTON & SON
45 FORT STREET

Your Chickens Will Lay

Use EXCELSIOR MEAL. This being a special blending of all grain, cannot fail to bring good results.
DIRECTIONS—To be fed hot in the morning.

At Sylvester Feed Co., 87.89 YATES STREET Tel. 413.

The Mikado Bazaar

Japanese Fancy Curios, Silk and Linen Goods
Hand Drawn Linen Turn-Over Collars
and Handkerchiefs 20c and up.
Great Reduction in Prices on All Lines.
138 GOVERNMENT ST., COR. JOHNSON ST

LOOK!

For Xmas Gifts
Electric Pocket Lamps \$2.00 each
Electric Table Lamps \$3.00 each
Electric Bell Outlets \$2.50 each
Electric Chandeliers, new designs, from \$4.75 up
Electric Stoves, from \$5.25 up

Hinton Electric Co., Government St

Mackinaw Here From 'Frisco

Fetches Eight Hundred Tons of Cement for C.P.R. Hotel Foundations.

General Shipping Intelligence of the Harbor, Coast, and Ocean.

Last evening the Tacoma-Frisco collier Mackinaw arrived at quarantine from San Francisco, bringing 800 tons of cement to complete the construction required for the foundations of the new C. P. R. hotel, by the B. C. Construction Company. The Mackinaw will come up from Wharf Head to the outer wharf at daylight this morning, and begin to discharge immediately.

MERELY MARY ANN.
Thrilling Adventures of Puget Sound Schooner in North.

The little 96-ton sailing schooner Mary Ann reached Ballard Thursday night from Nome, completing a voyage replete with excitement, and one which also threatened the life of all aboard, says the Post-Intelligencer. Her passengers, and crew not only faced death through what seemed certain loss of the vessel through the fury of the elements, but starvation as well. It was only the good fortune of Louis Melting and his party of three in having a two years' supply of provisions aboard to carry them through a prospecting venture of that duration in the Cook Inlet country that everybody aboard did not die of hunger.

The Mary Ann's record as to seaworthiness is long and honorable enough. She was built on the Atlantic fifty-two years ago. The fates of fortune brought her on to the Pacific a few years after she had gone into commission. So long as she was operating in Humboldt bay, California, she was converted into a sailing craft, and as such operated in Behring sea, with Nome as her headquarters.

It was October 17 that the Mary Ann set sail from Nome for Seattle by way of Cook Inlet. She had agreed to take Melting and his party to Cook Inlet, but after running Unalakleet bay, she was blown into the open ocean. Capt. Besse, her master, had laid out his course up

the Alaska peninsula, through Shelikoff strait, and by Kodiak into the Inlet. But unfriendly gales sent him hundreds of miles out to sea. In fact, he estimates that he was carried out of his course at least 1,000 miles. For days and days he beat around in the open ocean.

Meanwhile his supplies grew distressingly low. At last, they gave out entirely. Then it was that he had to make a requisition upon the provisions with which Melting and his associates had equipped themselves.

Finally the Mary Ann got back on her course and came on to the Sound. Her passengers went ashore at Ballard, coming to this city.

RITCHIE & CO'S REPORT.
November Review of Trade and Commerce Conditions in Victoria.

Following is the report of Messrs. Ritchie & Co. for November, just issued:
We have no change to note in the freight market since our last report. One or two vessels have been taken up for grain at low rates, but the firm price of grain offers no inducement to shipping, and business is therefore almost at a standstill.
In the absence of any prospect of improvement, a large number of vessels have left in ballast.

The dulness in lumber freights almost equalled that in grain, although towards the end of the month the China trade stiffened, and several fixtures are reported. For other business our quotations are somewhat lower.
We quote freight as follows:
Grain—San Francisco to Cork, f. o., 17s. 6d. nominal; Portland to Cork, f. o., 20s. nominal; Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, nominal.
Lumber—British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 28s. 9d. 20s.; Melbourne or Adelaide, 30s. 6d.; Port Phillip, 30s. 6d.; Fremantle, 28s. 9d. to 40s.; Shanghai, 32s. 9d. to 40s.; Taku, 45s. to 47s. 6d.; West Coast, S. A., 30s. 3d. to 37s. 6d.; South Africa, 48s. 9d. to 51s. 3d.; U. K. or Continent, 50s. to 52s. 6d.

MARINE NOTES.
Tug Lorne came up from the Cape yesterday and passed in to Vancouver to tow the British ship Pallas, lumber laden, to sea.
Steamer Queen City arrived last night from the West Coast. She had a good cargo. It was an uneventful round trip.

VICTORIA TIDES.
At this port today the tides will be as follows:
High water 11:01 a.m.
Low water 7:16 p.m.

TATOOSE MARINE REPORT.
Tatoose, Dec. 17.—Cloudy; west, 10. In steamer Titania, 8 a. m. Noon—Cloudy; south, 12. No shipping. Evening—Cloudy; south, 10. In steamer Mackinaw.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

IMPORTANT SALE OF CHRISTMAS GOODS

MEN'S TIES, regular price 25c. Sale Price, 3 for 25c.

All Good Shades and Patterns

Umbrellas from 60c up
Ladies' Kid Gloves, \$1.50 quality, Sale price \$1
Ladies' Kid Gloves, \$1.25 and \$1 quality, Sale price 65c

SUSPENDERS, SOCKS, HANDKERCHIEFS, SHIRTS and COLLARS, PURSES, BELTS, ETC.

All At Slaughtering Prices.

A complete line of Men's Neckwear just arrived—all greatly reduced.

Cushion Tops, Embroidery Silks, Cords, Hamilton and Battenberg Braids, etc. at reduced prices.

Entire stock of Dress Goods, Underwear, etc. at about half price.

To be given away—Two Dolls—a ticket given with every dollar purchase. Drawing 7th Jan., 1905

Big Shirts for Big Men at Half Price.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE
88% DOUGLAS ST.

CITY CHURCHES

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.
Services: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and ante communion, 11 a. m.; evening service, 7 p. m. Preachers—Morning, Rev. Canon Beaudouin; evening, Rev. W. Baugh-Allen. The music set for the day follows:
Morning.
Voluntary Tucker
Vente 18th morning Cat. Psalter
Te Deum 18th evening Cat. Psalter
Benedictus Longdon
Kyrie Harpley
Gloria Russell
Hymns 47, 52, 288
Voluntary Evening.
Voluntary 270
Processional Hymn Cat. Psalter
Psalms for 18th evening Cat. Psalter
Magnificat 2nd Set
Nunc Dimittis 2nd Set
Hymns 193, 51, 49
Vesper Hymn M. 8
Recessional Hymn 281
Voluntary Grison

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.
At St. John's Church, the pastor, Rev. Percival Jones, will be in the morning preacher, while the occupant of the pulpit in the evening will be the Bishop of Columbia. The musical programme for today is:
Morning.
Andante Smart
Vente Tucker
Psalms for 18th morning Cat. Psalter
Te Deum Second Set
Jubilate Hayes
Hymn 46
Kyrie And. in D flat
Gloria Tibi Tallis No. 3
Hymns 250, 225
Postlude Wely
Evening.
Organ—Meditation Wheddon
Psalms Psalter, Second Set
Magnificat Baraby
Nunc Dimittis 233, 225
Vesper—“Lord Keep Us Safe” Grison
Organ—Chorale Grison

CHURCH OF OUR LORD.
At the Church of Our Lord, services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., with sermons by Rev. H. J. Wood. The music for the day is:
Morning.
Organ—Aria J. L. Boehner
Vente and Psalter As Set
Te Deum, 18th morning Alternation
Benedictus Dykes
Hymns 81, 80, 79
Organ—Allegro Dietrich
Evening.
Organ—Andante Mee Pattison
Psalms As set
Magnificat Garrett
Nunc Dimittis Garrett
Hymns 75, 73, 81
Doxology Sullivan
Organ—Alegro Mee Pattison

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.
Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., respectively. Rev. Mr. Dean will preach in the morning, and the pastor, Dr. Campbell, in the evening. The subject for the evening discourse will be: “Are All Races of Men European, Ethiopian, Mongolian and Indian—Descended from the Same Pair—Adam and Eve?” The foregoing is for young people particularly, and they are cordially invited to attend. Junior Christian Endeavor Society meets at 10 a. m. every Sabbath morning; Sunday school and Bible class, 2:30 p. m. Musical selections follow:
Morning.
Hymns 384, 227, 190, 152
Anthem—“Teach Me, O Lord” Neukom
Evening.
Hymns 22, 404, 70, 310
Anthem—“Thou, O God, Art Full of Compassion” De Monte
Soprano solo, Miss Wilson.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN.
Services will be held in the morning at 11 a. m. and in the evening at 7 p. m. Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A., will be the preacher. Sunday school at 2:30; Bible class at 3. The musical portion is as follows:
Morning.
Voluntary—“I Waited for the Lord” Mendelssohn
Psalms 462, 440, 432
Hymns 462, 440, 432
Voluntary—“Behold the Lamb of God” Handel
Evening.
Voluntary—“Qui Est Homo” Rossini
Psalms 62
Anthem—“The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee” 404, 308
Hymns 404, 308
Solo—“O Rest in the Lord” Mendelssohn
Voluntary—“Marche Funebre” Mendelssohn

METROPOLITAN METHODIST.
The pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. classes, 10 a. m.; Sunday school and Bible classes, 2:30 p. m. Splendid music under direction of Gideon Hicks. Everyone welcome.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST.
The pastor, Rev. J. P. Westman, will preach at 11 a. m. and in the evening at 7 p. m. Rev. T. H. Wright will assist the pastor and will preach. The service will be bright and attractive, and all are invited. A strong choir of thirty voices, led by Mr. W. Hicks, will provide good music. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m.

VICTORIA WEST METHODIST.
The pastor, R. J. McIntyre, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, “The Place of Obedience in the Religious Life”; evening, “A Broken-Hearted Christ.” Sunday Bible school, 2:30 p. m. Afternoon at 2:30.

CALVARY BAPTIST.
The pastor, Rev. J. E. Vickers, M. A., will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, “The Dimmed Gold”; evening, “Preach the Gospel.” Sunday school and Bible class, 2:30 p. m.; B. Y. P. E., Monday, 8 p. m.; prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST.
Morning worship at 11 a. m., with preaching by the pastor, Rev. E. Le Roy Dakin, B. A.; subject, “A Broken-Hearted Christ.” Sunday Bible school, 2:30 p. m. Evening sermon, 7 p. m., preaching by the pastors; subject, “God's Goodness.” Strangers cordially invited. Everybody welcome.

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In many respects the most remarkable dramatic offering of this or any recent season at the Victoria Theatre is that arranged for Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of the coming week, when Mr. Ben Greet's company of London players is to turn back the march of the centuries and introduce into the western Canadian city of this eleventh century to the drama of the medieval age—the old morality play or religious allegory which serves as the foundation and beginning of the serious drama of the present day, the stage enactment which has its part in the religious, educational and philosophical schemes of Christian civilization. It is a daring venture—an artistic innovation that at first blush seems fated to die failure. People must say here, as they have in countless other places no less modestly ambitious, that the masses of today are too much a working folk, their days consumed by business and its cares, to devote their few moments of evening leisure to aught beside succor from toil and worry, desirable and necessary recreation and amusement. The book or play necessitating serious and even profound reflection is, one is told, but for the leisure classes. And yet the same was said in teeming London, in New York, in many other cities where popular interest in and patronage of "Everyman" has contradicted flatly the superficial conclusions of the all-wise critics, too ready to assume the garb of prophecy.

But as to the promised deeply religious study at Victoria is to see and analyze on Tuesday evening next. When

of the stage are symbolical; the flowers denote cultivation of the soil; the little organ, art; the wheels, work; the cushions, rest after labor; and the candles, worship and thanks due. For all such a double stage was generally used to denote any change of locality required, and will be used now when practicable. The characters—entering from possible from the audience—speak often in monologue, especially those representing abstract notions, that being the primitive style of delivery. These characters representing actual human types are allowed a little license of the stage.

"You will doubtless agree, says Mr. Greet, 'that in the play we have the drama in its primitive integrity, where the art is all in all, and its exposure, that being the primitive style of delivery. These characters representing actual human types are allowed a little license of the stage. The action and versification are simple: the time of action is that of the performance; the scene is never changed and the stage never empty. Moreover, in stimulating religious feelings, in arousing the tragic emotions of pity and fear; in suggesting the Hellenistic fatalism that happiness is pre-

Annunciation and Lazarus of the same cycle, the four Angels and Shepherds, and the Coming of the Three Kings, the Coventry Salutation and the Conception, Birth of Christ, Adoration of the Shepherds, and Adoration of the Magi, and the Chester Procession, a prophetic and Antichrist. The music includes 'While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night,' 'Gloria in Excelsis,' 'The First Nocturn,' 'The Three Kings of the Orient,' 'The Coventry Carol,' 'A Little Time Child,' 'Adeste Fideles, Amen' (Dresden), 'Summer Is Icomen In,' 'Peri Perlo,' and 'Nunc Dimittis.' Some of the music dates from the twelfth and thirteenth centuries; some is by Palestrina, sixteenth century; some, by Reid, seventeenth century; that of the Gloria is adapted from a mass by Charles Gounod; that of the Nunc Dimittis is by Father Fuhler (either Haubach); and that of the Coventry Carol is by Sam H. Goodwin, under whose direction the music is arranged.

The past week has pretty effectively demonstrated that the Grand, under the management of Robert Jamieson, has won the field as a family vaudeville house of the first quality. And 'crowd' of courses for each and every performance' has emphasized the meaning of the victory. It has been a great show that the Grand has given, with no fewer than eight feature acts and every one of at least five of them so particularly good that it is a hard task to pick a headliner. Katherine George in her 'Exaggerated Physical Culture' is perhaps the best contortionist yet brought to Victoria. Her sister Marion is a violinist par excellence, playing upon a rare old instrument some of the most difficult and classical works, which well display her admirable technique, and also favorite folk songs, unfolding the beauties of her remarkably sympathetic quality. Frye and Allen have a comedy sketch in which there is real comedy and a touch of the grotesque, and also favorite folk songs, unfolding the beauties of her remarkably sympathetic quality. Frye and Allen have a comedy sketch in which there is real comedy and a touch of the grotesque, and also favorite folk songs, unfolding the beauties of her remarkably sympathetic quality.

greatest illustration of animal education ever put upon the road. It was of this act that the Perry, Iowa, Advertiser, only a week or so ago, said: 'Muslin, with his trained domestic animals is one of the strongest feature attractions ever presented by a carnival management as a free attraction. His exhibitions are of the highest quality, and his platform draws a large audience. His pigs and sheep seem endowed with human intelligence, and their work proves Muslin's right to the claim of king of animal trainers. But the sheep and the pigs and the horses are not the whole show by any manner of means. Sam and Ida Kelly are to offer a quaint comedy sketch under the title of 'Si and Mandy.' The Elliotts, famous harpists and soloists, are to make their first appearance in the Western Canada. Tommy Hayes, the trick bone soloist, will introduce his original specialty. Mr. Roberts will sing 'All's Fair in Love and War,' the song being appropriately illustrated and the moving pictures will be on the humorous order, giving some hitherto unpublished particulars of the 'European Rest Cure.'

It's the same old story at the Redmond Theatre—a big show, big audience, big applause. In the first three nights of the just-ended week something over \$150 was turned away, the house being sold out each successive evening, and in the three nights more than six hundred people being disappointed. For the week it is estimated roughly that about thirteen hundred would-be patrons were unable to gain admittance, which is a record perhaps unparalleled in percentage to population drawn upon the theatre. The week opened most satisfactorily with 'Miss Hersey from Jersey,' a nonsense play somewhat on the lines of 'Charley's Aunt,' and absolutely without plot, sequences or aught in it save ridiculous names and situations that provoke unchecked laughter. Mr. Bird and Mr. Redmond in the two chief comedy roles crowded each other for honors, there being not a serious moment for anyone while either of them held the stage. Miss Hersey from Jersey, assuming the role of a plot as well as a comedy, so much of a plot as may serve as an excuse for impossible and absurd situations, generally hanging upon the jokester's friend, the useful and undying mother-in-law. The latter half of the fine play 'Caste,' in which Mne. Myee makes her Victoria professional debut, as the leading woman of the Redmond company.

Large audiences were the rule all last week at the home of burlesque and vaudeville, the Savoy. The merry musical extravaganza, 'Miss Cinderella,' as presented by the 'Tob Magwette Merry Burlesquers,' was the magnet. A long list of specialty features secured the burlesque also met with unbounded approval. For the week commencing tomorrow the Hewlette company will offer the rollicking comedy success in three acts, entitled 'Happy Jack,' or 'Brother's Christmas.' This little playlet is said to be crowded with surprises; laughter, tears and sensational features combining to form a most attractive show, cast to the full strength of the Hewlette and Savoy stock companies. An entire change of specialties is also promised, and presenting those a number of new and clever performers will be introduced. The one big special event of the week will be the fifteen-round glove contest, Jack Oakley of H. M. S. Stearns vs. Ted Williams, R. G. A., which is underlined for Friday evening, December 23d. It is announced that there must be a decision—no draw will be accepted. The event is under the direct control of the Savoy management, who will spare neither expense nor trouble to make this one of the big sporting events of the season.

Opinions are sure to differ as to the welcome or unwelcome character of the announcement that the bill has been changed for Miss Florence Roberts' appearance here on Monday evening next, and that instead of giving 'Victoria' she is expected to give 'The Lowlands,' the popular actress will be seen in 'Tess of the D'Urbervilles,' last given at the Victoria some years ago by Mrs. Minnie Maernicke, now introduced for the first time who is this year reviving it with extra-



MISS FLORENCE ROBERTS

ordinary success in New York city. If versatility be the proof of genius, Miss Roberts, who is conceded to be 'the representative actress of the West,' must be accounted one of the greatest actresses of the age. Comedy, romance, and tragedy are alike to her, and there is no artist on the American stage who has achieved so many triumphs in such a number of diverse roles. With a few exceptions, her artistic entity she always surrounds herself with the best players she can engage, and as a result her performances are finished and artistic to the highest degree. In this city she will undoubtedly draw a large and brilliant audience. Melbourne MacDowell, who has been a star here, will be Miss Roberts' principal support, while other familiar names upon the roster of her company are those of Messrs. Lucius Henderson, William Varnace, Sterling Lord Whitney, Frank McQuarry, Christian Lynton, Gregory Rogers, Forrest Seabury, Al. White, Philip Lord, and the Misses Gertrude Woodhouse, Louise Brown, Adele Worth, Lillian Crosby, Theo. Bacon, Anita Allen, and clever little Ollie Cooper. Miss Roberts is using the Lorimer Stoddard dramatization of Thomas Hardy's world famous novel. The play develops from a pretty story of English rustic life into a thrilling and absorbing tragedy and affords the actress an ideal scope. She has only lately added it to her repertoire, but the critics pronounce it an artistic achievement worthy to rank among her best efforts.

Here is the latest gossip about the big syndicate and its plans and intentions. As everybody knows, the stock companies at popular prices, and the picture houses, and family vaudeville resorts, have cut down the immense profits of the Trust and its individual houses, and the syndicate has been formed to take the place of the Trust. The so-called 'fad' fails to die the anticipated natural death, and so the syndicate threatens to make a fight for its life, meeting the cheap houses on their own battlefield. 'It is altogether probable,' says a leading theatrical manager in connection, 'that the syndicate will put excellent stock companies into every one of its Western houses next season, inclusive of the Victoria theatre and the Vancouver opera house. These would play at popular prices, and be withdrawn to rest whenever a booked traveling attraction came along. Only about one third of the road shows will be taken next season, and the companies thus put out of business will find employment in the recruiting of the stock organizations. This seems to be the only practical method of meeting the killing competition of the cheap houses.' All of which sounds like a very good bluff. The popular prices of admission have not been lowered because their expenses of operation are lighter

than those of the big houses could possibly be. The syndicate, with its additional opportunities of employment, there may very likely be a shortage of actors, and salaries will go up with a jump as soon as the player folk realize that they control the situation. The syndicate may keep its promise, and come into competition with a multitude of stock companies—and then it may only blunder.

Victorians are to have it in their own hands to say whether or not the want a visit from that queen of song, Mne. Melba, it having been decided to test the substantiality of the expressed desire for a concert here by means of an informal subscription list. It had been authoritatively stated that only Vancouver in the Canadian Northwest would be included in the diva's itinerary—she is there on the evening of February 1—and it must have taken much argument on the part of the management of the Victoria to bring about this city's opportunity. Mne. Melba is assisted in this season's singing by Sig. Filiberti, baritone; Sig. Ellison van Hoese, tenor; Signorina Ada Sassetti, the young Italian harpist; Mne. Llewellyn, contralto; and Sig. H. K. North, flutist. It was originally decided that Mne. Melba should honor her five Western cities with her presence—San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle and Vancouver. Spokane made a strong bid for a concert, but was doomed to disappointment, although the substantial guarantee of \$60,000 was offered.

'San Toy' company, when it was at the Victoria quite recently, and Mr. Jefferson J. Graves of Jameson, Cal., reputed a millionaire, were married at Denver last Saturday by Justice of the Peace Hynes, and at last reports have not yet descended from the clouds. The honeymooning is being transacted in California. When 'San Toy' was playing Los Angeles, after the Victoria engagement, Miss Rudolph went on an automobile ride after the show; where upon the machine tipped over, killing one of her companions. A week ago the actress recovered sufficiently from her injuries to leave the hospital, and joined the company at Denver to resume her old part. But Mr. Graves had followed her, and would not accept of her return to the hospital. It developed that Miss Rudolph had ardent admirers from nearly every city in the Northwest—two from Victoria—and several of them even imagined that they were engaged to her.

It is on the tapis that the Redmond theatre management will do up a new house, for which a first grade stock company will be secured, the present theatre being, however, retained as a second string to the bow. The new theatre, if built, will play first-class independent touring attractions—such as Mrs. Pike, Blanche Bates, Rose Cyprien, and others. The people continue to get away from the syndicate.

'A Chinese Honeymoon' is one of the near bookings at the Victoria theatre. The book is by Mr. George Dance, and tells of an adventure of an old Englishman and his bride, who go to China on their honeymoon. The husband, being a confirmed bachelor, upon taking his bride to his home with her to watch her husband at Yang-Yang, he being pronounced in his admiration for her. The bride, however, is not so much in love with her husband as he is with her. She is a very tall person who afterwards is disclosed in the Emperor of Yang-Yang. He impresses a kiss on her cheek which, according to a silly law, means a betrothal, and the marriage must take place the same day. Her husband, Mr. Prince, is a very tall person who afterwards is disclosed in the Emperor of Yang-Yang. He impresses a kiss on her cheek which, according to a silly law, means a betrothal, and the marriage must take place the same day. Her husband, Mr. Prince, is a very tall person who afterwards is disclosed in the Emperor of Yang-Yang. He impresses a kiss on her cheek which, according to a silly law, means a betrothal, and the marriage must take place the same day.

From playing a 'soubrette' lead in 'Tennessee Partner' and 'At the Old Crossroads,' to starring in 'Pretty Peggy,' with an extra-capable company, is a wide reach, and it is a remarkably entertaining and well drawn, well acted and well mounted example of good English comedy and pathos in desirable admixture. No one need trust advance notices for information as to the quality of play or company. The play was here last Monday and the audience on that occasion was so delighted that the management was bombarded with requests for a repetition. Ask anyone who was there for an unbiased opinion of the play and people—and you will be sure to get and enjoy your self.

In 'Her Own Way'—the play which she is to present in this city on the evening of the 31st, Maxine Elliott has abundant opportunity to delight the ladies with

the exhibition of some of her wonderful gowns. She has not played in this territory since she was with Mr. N. C. Goodwin, her husband, in 'When We Were Twenty-One.'

The Victoria Amateur Operatic Company are arranging to give matinee and evening performances of the operetta 'Dorothy' on Monday week, under the direction of Mr. J. M. Flinn and with a considerably augmented and strengthened chorus. Rehearsals have been frequent and a much improved production is assured.

'King Dodo' is the big feature in the present repertoire of the Pollard juveniles, Master Jack Pollard is the merry monarch, Master Teddy McNamara the 'enchant Dr. Fizz,' and Miss Daphne the dashing soldier of fortune, 'Dodo.'

The Jeffersons—Joseph and William—sons of the dean of the American stage, but recently retired, are to visit Victoria in January, presenting their father's version of 'Sheridan's great comedy, 'The Rivals.'

The coming 'Chinese Honeymoon' company, here on the 27th and 28th, is guaranteed as 'the original and genuine company, direct from the Casino,' and including George Broderick, Mabelle Baker, Joe Miller and Helen Laiten.

Among the famous musical numbers of 'A Chinese Honeymoon' are: 'I Want to Be a Lady,' 'Roly Poly,' 'The Paper Parrot,' 'The Emperor,' 'Martha and the Grand Planter,' and 'In Yang Yang.'

Even to the humble circus folk in the first act, 'Pretty Peggy' is efficiently cast. The acrobats and contortionists, although mere auxiliaries, show incidentally that they could put many featured vaudeville 'artists' to the blush.

Just as soon as the forthcoming productions of 'Dorothy' are over, preparations for Flinn's minstrel show will begin to take definite shape and form.

Half a dozen music-loving Victorians visited Seattle last week to enjoy the song recital of Mne. Johanna Gadsdi. Her company, under the direction of Lols Steers has been singularly successful.

'The Princess Chlo' presented here Thursday evening, was about as good as one could expect with civil war responsible for the recent dismissal of some of the best of the cast.

Miriam Greenleaf, who was at the Crystal last week, is one of the most pleasing voiced singers of illustrated songs heard here in many a day.

Rose and Mamie Perry have closed a long engagement at the Lyric, and after a Christmas at home, will probably go to Spokane.

George Broderick, the elongated bass, is with the 'Chinese Honeymoon' company that comes here on Tuesday and Wednesday week.

The Stanford University Glee Club, an old favorite musical organization with Victoria theatre-goers, will be here on Monday week.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller—the Pierrots—played a markedly successful engagement at Chemainus last week.

The reconstructed Victoria Theatre orchestra under the leadership of Mr. S. A. Bantly gives very general satisfaction.

The Pringle Company is to make a tour of the Kootenays.



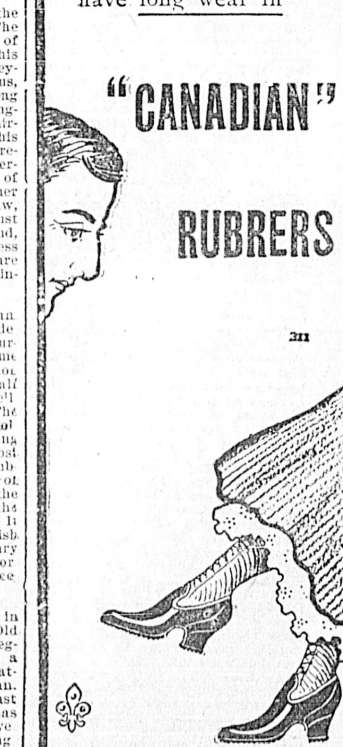
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DEATH AND EVERYMAN

Christopher Columbus discovered America, and just a century before the immortal William Shakespeare produced his masterpiece, a morality play corresponding in many ways with 'Everyman' was well known in the northern part of Europe. It was the Dutch play 'Elckenick' (i.e., 'every man'), written by Peter Dorland, a monk of Diest, this play was at some time reproduced in Latin under the name of 'Homulus,' by an author of uncertain identity. It is believed, however, to have been composed and preserved in the library of Lincoln Cathedral, England, that 'Homulus' was written or adapted by one of the abbots towards the end of the fifteenth century. The thread of the story, it is stated, is to be found in the religious romance of Harlam and Jehoshaphat, ascribed to John of Damascus, who died in 1000. The first impression of 'Everyman' is traceable to the year 1529, but there is good reason to believe it was in manuscript as early as the reign of Edward IV. An edition of the play was published in the reign of Henry VIII., when it was evidently popular and frequently presented. The next edition is of a century later in date. The best known edition is that of Dobson, and now there are multitudinous editions in the Old Country and in the new world. The book as used by Mr. Greet and his players has been prepared very carefully from the black-letter copy of Lincoln. Very few lines of the original have been omitted, and there is in our short scene a transposition of speeches.

There is no evidence that the play has been presented within the last two centuries until revived by William Poel for the Elizabethan Stage Society of England, and at the suggestion of Dr. Ward, master of Peterhouse, Cambridge University. In 1901 productions were given at the old Charter House of London, in the quadrangle of University College, Oxford and at Rugby school, and later in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and Baltimore. In America, as in England, 'Everyman' has always found an open door at academic institutions. By special invitation, it has been given before the University of Yale, Princeton, Cornell and Brown, also at Dartmouth, Wellesley, Vassar, Bryn Mawr and Smith Colleges. The play has also been performed before Catholic clubs and before societies of other sects. The management is the hope of giving performances in all parts of the United States and Canada.

The production of 'Everyman' in America is due to Charles Frohman under his auspices the play was performed in New York for eighteen weeks and later in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and Baltimore. In America, as in England, 'Everyman' has always found an open door at academic institutions. By special invitation, it has been given before the University of Yale, Princeton, Cornell and Brown, also at Dartmouth, Wellesley, Vassar, Bryn Mawr and Smith Colleges. The play has also been performed before Catholic clubs and before societies of other sects. The management is the hope of giving performances in all parts of the United States and Canada.

rious, 'Everyman,' though predominant by Christian in teaching, is imbued with the atmosphere no less than by the structure of classic tragedy. "But the place of 'Everyman' is not primarily with the classic drama of the medieval age. Though not always sharply distinct from one another, either in subject matter or form of expression, three groups may be made of as much of the play as is of the mystery and miracle plays, then, was to inculcate Christianity by inference; to set before the layman the careers of good men and induce him to contrition by a comparison of his own life with theirs. But there was yet another, a suitable medium for a potent indication, not alone of the true way, but the peril attending upon any other. In short, with the tale adorned, it remained to point the moral. Hence the third and last stage in the development of medieval religious drama was the enforcement of moral truths, not by scriptural or legendary history, but by the speech and action of allegorical characters each typifying abstract virtues or qualities, and this was 'Everyman.'

"To 'Everyman' is ascribed the source of Hans Holbein's canvas 'The Dance of Death.' And our little work was surely in the mind of John Bunyan when he wrote his 'Pilgrim's Progress,' and not to exceed further any necessary limits, there is here for us, as for the people of earlier times, matter for all that are human. Here we may all, tranquilly and sympathetically finding to its sway our minds and spirits, absorb new import upon that vast text—life."

'Everyman' is acted upon a stage set to represent the cloister yard of Salimaneia Castle, in Spain, where the early passion plays were commonly performed in the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, with sacred chorals and instrumental music of the thirteenth century, with religious processions and without intermission. The scene is Mr. Ben Greet's acting version, 'The Star of Bethlehem,' which is preserved by Mr. Greet's players for the coming Wednesday evening, is especially timely in this Christmas season. It is a miracle play of the Nativity, arranged from an old English original by Professor Charles Mills Gayley, and is an attempt to reproduce the material conditions, and atmosphere of the miracles as far as may be appropriate to modern conditions. The 'Offering of the Magi' of the Towleley cycle of plays; but passages have been introduced from the

monologist and humorist in the bargain. The other programme items have been Walsh and Sigon, in a musical novelty act, the illustrated song, and specialties is also promised, and presenting those a number of new and clever performers will be introduced. The one big special event of the week will be the fifteen-round glove contest, Jack Oakley of H. M. S. Stearns vs. Ted Williams, R. G. A., which is underlined for Friday evening, December 23d. It is announced that there must be a decision—no draw will be accepted. The event is under the direct control of the Savoy management, who will spare neither expense nor trouble to make this one of the big sporting events of the season.



JULIA MARLOWE AND E.H. SOTHERN IN HAMLET

"I am always glad to talk about Ophelia," said Julia Marlowe to our New York correspondent, "because it seems to me one of the most interesting and moving characters that Shakespeare created. I suppose my conception may differ somewhat from others. I have seen very few Ophelias. "I have been told that the general impression among actors is that she is to be portrayed as a feeble minded ingenue. I do not see how that can be. Her madness is explained in such a conception on the supposition that she has not enough strength of mind to keep her sane. I cannot find any sympathy for

such a view; the truth seems to me exactly the contrary. I see no adequate reason for her insanity. She had been forced by her father to play a part toward Hamlet, but the vital point is overlooked, that what really induced her to the deception was the hope that thereby she was helping his mind and her husband. "Her attitude toward him was always the most extreme solicitude for his welfare. She believed him mad; she thought it was given to her to do something that might tend toward the ending of his mind and her husband. "Hamlet were to know that Polonius was at hand he would be projected into one of his violent attacks. Hence it is for his own good, as she conceives it,

that when Hamlet asks, 'Where is your father?' she replies, untruthfully, 'At home, my lord,' and the sacrifice of the truth in a woman so pure and good as Ophelia is shown to us as in itself a tragedy. Her one idea is to help him, to restore him and to save him from despair—a womanly trait that perhaps has not had all the attention it deserves. "Here is a very tragic story. Did you ever think that no one else in the play suffers so much as she? She sees the collapse and ruin of her hopes, the madness of her lover and the death of her father at that lover's hands. What situation in all the drama is more terrible than that? It is her own lover that kills her own father. It is wonderful that she goes insane?"

FROM THE FAR SOUTH

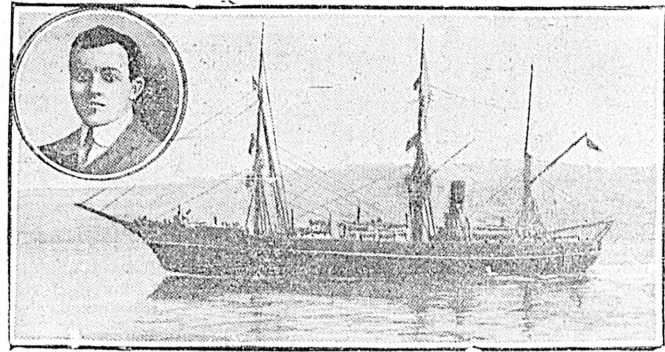
Captain Scott, R. N., commander of the British Antarctic expedition, lectured in the Town Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, on "Farthest South." The lecture was under the auspices of the Tyneside Geographical Society, who made the occasion the most important evening of their season. The hall was crowded, and all the most prominent members of the society were on the platform to welcome the sailor whose great work in the Arctic regions has recently secured marked recognition. The Duke of Northumberland presided.

Captain Scott prefaced his lecture by briefly sketching to the audience the amount of knowledge possessed of the Antarctic region prior to the expedition which he commanded, and which Sir Clements Markham and Mr. Llewellyn Longstaff had done so much to promote. That knowledge was not very ample. Practically east, west and south of the Antarctic, the only knowledge was that the continent lay in the south. Referring to the circum-polar, he showed how imperfect our knowledge was, and still is, of the distribution of land and water within the Antarctic circle. The Antarctic area was divided into four quadrants, of which the Ross quadrant was allotted to the British expedition. It was here that Sir John Ross discovered the sea that bears his name. Sir John was in a sailing ship, and saw things only dimly and in the distance. The geographical problem was, therefore, in brief, to find out what lay to the east and west and to the south of what Ross had seen. Besides that, there were various subsidiary subjects. For the purpose of the expedition a special ship was laid down in 1900 at Dundee. Considerable applause greeted the series of pictures of the Discovery before and after she left her building berth. The audience, too, got an idea from an elevation of the cramped quarters in which the officers and men spent the three years of their voyage. The voyage to the extreme southern seas was described in detail, and the audience grasped every phase of the interesting passage from the many fine photographs which were thrown on the screen. The impression given of the first pack ice encountered and of the great mountains in Victoria Land and the great ice barrier, and the audience's interest in the picture was excellent, and they were unique and striking results of the camera.

Many of their experiences, said the lecturer, were very tantalizing, because just as they were about to prove some interesting point, a fog would come on and nothing could be seen. Most of the ice-islands were very shallow and sloped towards the edges, which led them to

believe, although they could not prove it, that the islands were of ice on top of land. Very interesting were the photographs of the great ice barrier, 400 miles long, 150 to 250 feet in height, and six or seven times that depth below water. Many of these photographs were taken close in shore, and showed the huge caves in the frozen mass. The land which they christened King Edward Land was a most dreary waste of ice and snow, though at one point they were able to lay the ship alongside the ice as if it were at a wharf. Here they sent up their balloon, and obtained some very curious effects in the pictures secured from the air. A slide to which Captain Scott referred feelingly depicted the spot where the only member of the expedition was lost. He fell from the top of a castle-like crag. The photographs, it appeared, were taken by Lieutenant Shackleton, and one of the best and largest is the panorama of the Discovery's winter quarters. There is a most remarkable photograph of an Emperor Penguin rookery on sea ice near Cape Crozier.

CAPT. R. F. SCOTT.



THE DISCOVERY.

In the foreground the birds are standing like so many weird, uncanny figures, with their forms casting long shadows in the sunlight. Away back is the edge of the great ice barrier, and a solitary bird is seen walking up the snow-covered slope. A contrast is shown between the exterior of the Discovery encased in ice after a blizzard, and the interior of the vessel with the tables decorated for mid-winter day. The incidents of the great sledge journey "Farthest South," which brought out such endurance and courage, and was rewarded with such grand results, formed an exciting narrative.

The journey lasted three months, food got short, many of the dogs had to be killed, and when 180 miles from the ship Mr. Shackleton became seriously ill. How Captain Scott and Dr. Wilson brought their sick comrade back to the ship, unaided by dog traction, after being absent 92 days, was told with true sailor's modesty. All they took with them on the sledge trip, beside the things they stood up in, were spare stockings. On their return to the ship it was glad sight to see the relief ship. Morning, which had picked up the record left by the Discovery at Cape Crozier. They got news from home, and provisions and luxuries which they had not enjoyed for a long time. Finding they could not break up the ice, they settled down to their second winter with no regrets. Four miles separated the two ships. There was no idleness. Much valuable work had to be done in connection with the facts collected, while the health of the party was kept at the highest possible point by ski-races and football.

The captain's journey west to the magnetic pole provided some exciting

experiences. On one occasion, when at an altitude of 7,000 feet, a blizzard started, and for six and a half days they were in their tents lying in sleeping bags. The position was serious. Something had to be done, and in a full they made a dash for it over a plain 9,000 feet high. The weather conditions were so severe after they had gone on for about a week that some of the party were affected. The continuous west wind and low temperature blistered and had cut their lips, nostrils and cheeks. They were rewarded, however, in arriving at a most interesting spot, where the compass showed just the wrong way round—that was to say, when it should point to the north it pointed to the south, so that the party returning from that spot, having to go to the eastward for home, had directions to steer west by the compass. (Laughter.) In other words, they had arrived—for the first time that it had been done in the south—at a line lying between the south magnetic pole and the south pole. (Loud applause.) In their further passage westward they were often troubled through the failure

of the light. Not being able to see where to steer, they often could not move, and their troubles were added to by having to go on short commons. Before the panorama opened out and they knew where they were they had many little exciting adventures. For a long time they bumped over a very steep gradient, and often slipped the surface for yards at a time. The troubles of the expedition were not ended even when they thought they were fairly started for home. There was immense difficulty in getting clear of the ice. Once the Discovery grounded, and the thought that they would have to abandon the ship gave them an anxious time until she worked herself off. There was more trouble when the rudder broke. The lecturer finally gave an account of the scientific work of the expedition, and showed pictures and gave interesting particulars of the various animals and birds found in the Far South. He was particularly amusing regarding the penguins, which are seen standing in all sorts of droll attitudes. For fully two hours Captain Scott kept the audience keenly interested from start to finish.

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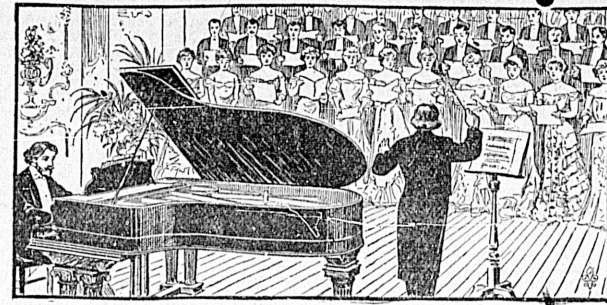
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A Chinaman residing in the New Town at the south end of the city had a narrow escape last night from a falling tree, which demolished his house and killed some of his stock. John was outside at the time and thus escaped. The high wind was the cause of the disaster.

The wires in this district are in a demoralized condition, the heavy wind last night having played havoc with them. Linemen are busy today repairing the breaks.

Steamer Amur arrived in port tonight from the north via Vancouver. She carried a cargo of ore from the mines in Alaska for the Tree smelter, and is now loading coal preparatory to leaving for Victoria. The Amur experienced rough

weather north of this island on her southern trip.

The bulk Japan was towed alongside the wharf tonight to load slack for Union.

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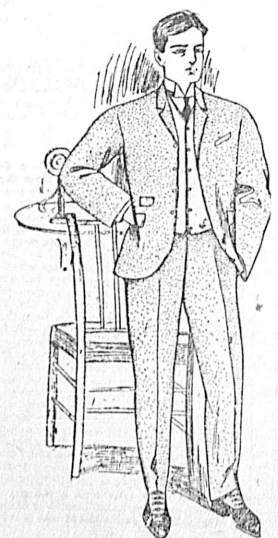
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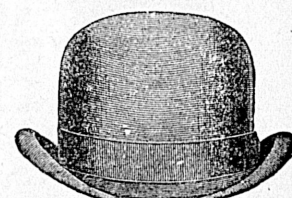
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The Notables of Europe

Written For the Sunday Colonist

Mr. Justin McCarthy, the veteran journalist and author, has just celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday. It is fifty-six years since the historian of "Our Own Times" commenced work as a junior reporter in Cork, and more than half a century ago he reported a banquet speech by Mr. Gladstone for the "Southern Daily Times" of Liverpool, being accommodated with a seat in the corridor behind the strangers' gallery for the purpose. Forty years later he sat in the House itself as leader of the Irish Home Rule party, in succession to Mr. Parnell.

A valuable collection of personal effects and relics of King Charles I. has been placed in the Whitehall Museum by Mr. P. Bennett Hicklin, the owner of the well known blue silk vest which for some time past has been on view in the same institution. The latest additions include a coralline seal, several memorial snuff-boxes, and a silver pipe from the wood of the scaffold on which the monarch was beheaded, royalist badges, coins commemorating the sieges of Newark and Pontefract, and a curious miniature of the King, with sixteen troops representing His Majesty in a variety of costumes. There are also a miniature in ivory of Queen Henrietta Maria, a gold-mounted ring of Princess Elizabeth, daughter of Charles I., an ivory snuff-box with a model of Archbishop Laud on the lid, a gold memorial ring of King Charles, with a lock of his hair, and a gold locket.

The Princess of Wales has sent, through the Duchess of Marlborough, to the Duchess of Devonshire, a doll, specially dressed by herself, for the exhibition and sale of in Belfast in aid of the Homes of Rest and Workshops for the Cripples and Orphans in Ireland, a project with which Her Royal Highness has expressed her sympathy. The Countess of Dudley opened the exhibition on December 6.

Lady Curzon has been conveyed from Walmley to Hilditch Castle, near Bournemouth, the residence of Mr. W. G. Cavendish Bentinck, by special train, all the arrangements for the patient's comfort being personally supervised by Lord Curzon of Kedleston himself. Her Ladyship suffered no inconvenience from the journey, and is expected to derive much benefit from the bracing air of the locality.

Dr. William Miller, O. M. L., the first vicar apostolic of the Transvaal Colony, was this week consecrated Bishop of Eumonia in Phrygia, Asia Minor, by Archbishop Bourne at the Roman Catholic Church of the English Martyrs, Towerhill. Dr. Bourne had as assistant bishops Dr. Gurnham, Bishop of Kimberley, and Dr. Doughty, Bishop of New Westminster, B. C., both of them members of the Oblate Order. Father Lenoir, of Kimberley, and Father Laurent, of Johannesburg, were amongst the members of the order present from afar. The new vicar apostolic was born in Mountrath, Queen's County, in 1828, and having been educated at Autun, in France, was ordained a priest in 1851, by the late Cardinal McCabe. Since 1858 he has been assistant superior-general of the Oblate Order.

A monument has just been placed in the ante-chapel of Magdalen College, Oxford, in memory of four former undergraduates who lost their lives in the war in South Africa—Major His Highness Prince Christian Victor of Schleswig-Holstein, Captain Charles Kershaw Elworthy, Captain Albert Savory, and Lieutenant Edward Vanrenen Ingham Brooke. It consists of a tablet of bronze framed in green stone, carrying a brief Latin inscription and

to be erected at Nairobi, the headquarters of the Uganda railway, and is the gift of Mr. A. M. Devenney, Indian and East African merchant, who has also undertaken to make certain garden improvements in the town.

Much amusement was caused at a meeting of the Maidstone Board of Guardians by the reading of a letter from "Mark Twain" applying for a pair of spectacles. It was explained that the applicant was not the author of the "Innocents Abroad," but a pauper inmate of the Maidstone workhouse, whose eyesight had become defective.

Mr. George Wyndham was installed as Lord Rector of Glasgow University, speaking on "The Development of the State," he urged the students to reverence nationality, as every nation within the

lion bust of the late Dean Farrar, erected in the west porch by his assistant curates.

Mr. Solomon, a member of the Transvaal legislative council, strongly recommends the immediate grant of self-government to the colony, with an Anglo-Boer ministry.

The Earl and Countess of Dartmouth have returned to England from New York.

Mr. Victor Maurel has been overwhelmed with congratulations since his successful re-appearance in London, in the company under Henry Russell's management, after an absence of nine years. Talking to a few friends, the great baritone commented warmly on the kindness of the English public, who, he says, can appreciate every little de-



QUEEN ALEXANDRA AND HER DAUGHTERS ON THE ROSE, YORK

tail of art offered to them, and are more faithful to old friends than anyone else.

M. Maurel was especially delighted by the reception given to him when he appeared on the stage before he began to sing; this was a hospitality, he says, which knows how to show appreciation of what it likes.

A record of 2,190 birds and other game fell to eight guns of the royal shooting party on Lord Lathom's estate. The party included the Prince of Wales, his host, Lord Lathom, Lord Sefton, Lord Crichton, Lord Luttrell, Colonel Brounley-Davenport, Major Wynne-Finch, and Mr. Victor Cavendish. The ground covered was one of the most famous shooting districts in the North, and birds were in finer condition than they have been in for many years. It was an ideal day for shooting. The honors belonged to the Prince, who employed three guns, and evoked warm admiration from the sportsmen who accompanied the party by the clean and practiced manner in which he killed birds.

state should have character to redeem it from featureless cosmopolitanism.

Count von Bismarck, at the launch of the new German battleship bearing the name of the fatherland, gave this as the reason why Germany was creating a fleet: "Those who go out from us in order to spread abroad German civilization and German industry must be assured of the firm support of the home country."

From M. Loubet, president of the French republic, a deputation representing the Church of England Society for the Promotion of Kindness to Animals received the assurance of his sympathy for the appointment of Red



the shields of the gallant dead, in their heraldic colors. The memorial has been erected by the college from designs by Mr. George F. Bodley, R. A.

The Prince of Wales presented some time ago a handsome old English cup to the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn, in commemoration of his year of office as treasurer. On Saturday last, when His Royal Highness dined at Lincoln's Inn, the opening of the Inn of Court Mission, new buildings, the benchers handed to him an old silver-gilt cup, which had been subscribed for by them, as a souvenir of a much-appreciated association.

Mr. Justice Grantham, as treasurer of the Inner Temple, provided his guests with an agreeable surprise at the recent Grand Day dinner, by having displayed on the table a large and handsome representation of the flag of the Japanese, worked in gossamer and muslin of different colors. The effect was very pretty, and Viscount Hayashi, who was one of the guests of the evening, expressed his pleasure at the delicate compliment thus paid to him and his country.

Col. John Stacpole, chief of the cen-



THE DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH

barkation staff at Southampton, passes today into the retired list of the army; and it may be affirmed that during the war in South Africa no name among those serving in England was more familiar to military and civilian alike than his. Although an Irishman, he commenced his military career in a Scottish corps—the 75th Foot—while his next experience was gained in the Teicshire Regiment, then, to complete the circle of the United Kingdom, he got the mark of captain in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Shortly afterwards he was transferred to the Army Service Corps, and served at Suakin during the Fashoda expedition.

A marble statue of Queen Victoria is

LUCKY LITTLE SHOP GIRL.

New York World.
It was \$15,000 worth of jewels, instead of \$1,000, which a wealthy customer of Black, Starr & Frost lost from her cub a few days ago, and about which the police have been making inquiries.

But the jewels have been found, a society woman sails for Southampton today with a light heart, and there is a little shop girl who has "more money than she ever hoped to see all in a heap."

This is the story told by a member of the jewelry firm: The woman customer drove to Lord & Taylor's after making her purchases of diamonds and other jewels, and as she alighted she saw that the package was missing. She hastened back to the jewelry store, told of her loss and asked aid. Then she went to the police.

"Don't advertise that the jewels are worth more than \$1,000, or the person who finds them may think them too valuable to return," said the detective.

The little shop girl was struggling home from a long day's work, and chanced to pass the spot where a moment before the carriage of the wealthy woman making purchases for a trip abroad had passed. She saw the package in the gutter and carried it home without opening it. On the supper table the string was untied and the poor family was dazzled by the beautiful brill-



DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH

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"What shall I do with them, mother?" she asked.

"Say nothing about finding them until you read about this loss. In that way we can find the owner."

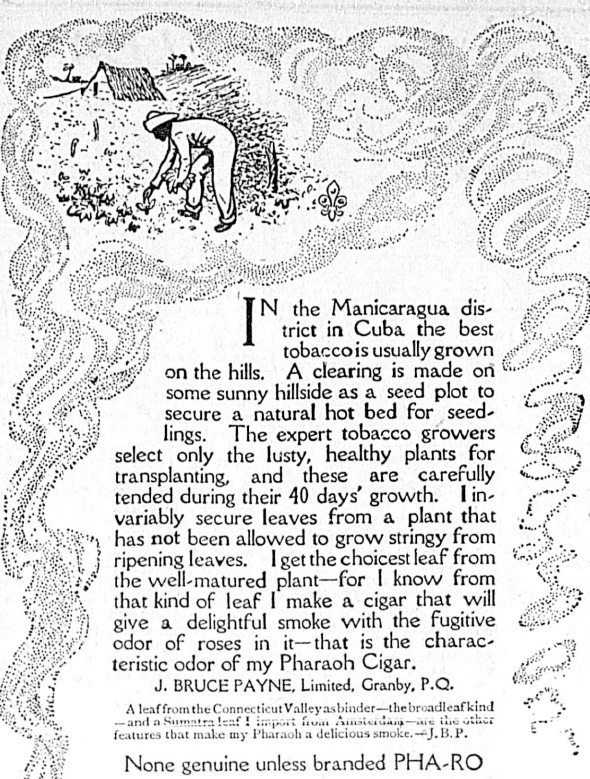
"Oh, such a heap. I never expected to see so much at one time in my life."

"How much of a reward did she get?" asked the reporter.

"I am not permitted to tell you," said the jeweler, "but when she got it it was a treat to see her. She said:

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Kansas City Star.

Standing sentinel-like at the mouth of the great St. Lawrence river is the island of Anticosti. On the map it is a whale-shaped, barren of towns and rivers and bearing only the names of four capes, where the land is washed by the river or the gulf.

This is the land that Henri Menier had bought with gold made in his enormous chocolate factories and has turned, still with that same yellow metal, into a principality so fair, so valuable and so completely under his rule as to excite the envy of more than one hereditary prince.

Mr. Menier bought the island in 1895 for \$100,000, or 6 cents an acre.

After centuries of waiting the island found its master. Never knowing rule or order, it has bowed to his dictates, with little liking for the process at first, but in the end with a half-sullen wonder at the many changes and improved condition of the new order of things.

It is probable that he had no thought at that time of what the island would grow to mean to him. It has become the greatest hobby of his existence, beside which his passion for Arctic exploration has paled and to which he gives all the time he can spare and a prolonged visit each alternate year.

For his principality he has planned and executed, he has improved and he has colonized. Into its dark, forbidding interior he has driven roads. Along its shores he has established railroad communication. He has improved its harbors, and on the shores of one of the best of them he has built a model village, factories for the workers, homes for them all, schools and churches, and an elaborate mansion for himself.

At first he took up the subject broadly, determined to subordinate all things to his desire to have such a game preserve as no other man in the world possessed. For this purpose the island was an ideal spot. It is 130 miles long by about 27 wide, and at only one place, Fox Bay, on the northern side, had a settlement been made. Here some dozen or two families, chiefly English, had made themselves rough homes, fishing all summer and hunting in winter.

The waters that bound the island are filled with cod, herring and mackerel, and what was more important to the island's destiny, with lobsters, the best to be found in North American waters. All over the island rivers run to the gulf. Inland, as M. Menier's explorations have shown, they are filled with trout. Near the salt water they are abundant in sea trout and salmon—in fact, sportsmen who have enjoyed the owner's hospitality declare that for the fisherman it is a paradise.

The woods are filled with fur-bearing animals, for no one hunted more than a very small portion of them before the new owner took hold. To Canadians and to sailors and fishermen it was as completely unknown territory as is much of the wilds of Labrador today. Superstition, which holds full sway in the minds of men who sail the gulf, enveloped the whole island with a hundred tales of disaster to him who set foot upon its shores and hiled the uplands with such dangers that the simple folk passed by.

Then, too, for years a wrecker and his helpers held sway on the south side of the island. Strange tales were told of lights he made on his vessels into his net, and with them secure upon the rocks from all escape, he took his profit from the wrecks. For years he lived on what is known as English bay, or characteristic of the island's owner that part of the old wrecker's home has been used to provide shelter for M. Menier when he visits the island.

No sooner had the purchase price been paid than the new owner had some "on his hands." The settlers at Fox bay refused to recognize his authority and defied his orders. It took a few months to bring order out of this, but in the end they yielded and left the island with all their goods and chattels.

M. Menier saw that the establishment of such a preserve as he had planned called for a scheme of colonization that would bring to the island settlers who would make it their permanent home and yet would not interfere with either its game or fish. He at first induced several French families to emigrate, but not in sufficient numbers for his purpose, and to them he has added families from Gaspe on the south and from that portion of the province of Quebec that stretches east to Labrador. Hardy folks are these Canadian habitants, more fisher than farmer, working while daylight lasts and simple in all their requirements. Last of all are some English and a few Scotch, and out of the mixture of nations has grown one peculiar condition. For all his work, M. Menier has laid down the rule that no intoxicating beverages shall be drunk upon the island except by the French. There has been grumbling over this special dispensation, but the penalty is deportation, and the rule is never broken.

Having made certain of his colonists, M. Menier found work for them at once in the fisheries, chief of all the lobster. Factories were built and the canning of lobster became the great industry of the island. The most approved sanitary methods were applied to the work, and the entire output is shipped to France.

Work for others was found in the building of the English Bay settlement.

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Homes for the permanent residents were quickly built and these were followed by all the necessary buildings of a model village. For M. Menier was built a house out of the former wreck-er's home and with a most wonderful kitchen attached. Here the appliances provided for the chef's convenience would cause pangs of envy in the bosom of the most exacting housewife.

But this house soon outgrew its usefulness and M. Menier began the erection of an elaborate and complete mansion. It is almost ready for occupancy, and will be finished when the owner pays his regular visit next year. Into the building of this mansion M. Menier has put much time and attention. He was his own architect and has planned every detail down to the most minute.

Practically all of the furnishings of the new house have been designed by M. Menier himself. Every piece of furniture, the room in which it is to be placed and the surrounding pieces. When the owner visited the island last year he made careful sketches of each room and exact measurements of all its dimensions. Having the furniture clearly in mind, he marked with chalk the exact spot where each piece is to be placed. No mark has been tampered with and the furniture will stand in each allotted position for inspection next year.

His hardest work is over now and the reins of government are firmly in his grasp. The island knows no law other than his will, and those who will come to him will hunt and fish with "the prince of Anticosti."

CLAIMS BRITISH PEERAGE. A Remarkable Romance in Course of Development.

London, Dec. 16.—Another remarkable romance of the peerage is in course of development and will probably come before the House of Lords next spring. The claim is to the Earldom of Strathairn, a creation of 1371, and to the Earldoms of Airth and Monteith, which date back, respectively, to 1633 and 1427.

The claimant is Alderman R. Barclay-Allardice, of Lostwithiel, Cornwall, eldest son of the late Mr. Samuel Ritchie, by his marriage with Margaret Barclay-Allardice, whose name the claimant assumed by royal license in 1883. His mother, who died in August of last year, was the daughter of Captain Robert Barclay-Allardice, J. P., D. L., of Ury and Allardice, in Kincardineshire, himself heir in direct line of the Earls of Strathairn.

TO OPERATE REDUCTION PLANT Method of Converting Ore Into Bullion Will Be Shown at Portland Fair.

Portland, Dec. 17.—A real gold reduction plant in actual operation will be one of the novel sights that may be seen at the Lewis and Clark exposition next summer.

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Reasons For The Recent Collapse

New York Herald Tells of the Slump in Montreal and Boston.

From Three and a Half Shares Drop to Fifty Cents in Few Hours.

In telling of the collapse of Montreal & Boston Consolidated, operating in the Boundary district of British Columbia, the New York Herald of December 9 says:

"It is likely that interesting developments will follow the collapse of the prolonged speculation in the shares of the Montreal & Boston Consolidated Mining Company's stock, a curb issue, which fell yesterday from \$3.50 1/4 a share to 50 cents.

"It is estimated that fully three-quarters of a million dollars have been lost somewhere in the manipulation of this stock, and it was freely hinted last night among the numerous brokers who fell victims to the speculative game that a trap had been laid and that they had been badly squeezed. At the New York Athletic Club brokers who hold Montreal & Boston stock held a meeting to decide on what measures shall be taken to protect themselves. It is understood that the decision of this meeting has for its object the drastic punishment of those whom they believe guilty of what they term a 'plant'.

"Munroe & Munroe, of No. 25 Broad street, who have been actively identified with the promotion and sale of Marconi Wireless stock, have been within the last month or two very prominent in the marketing of Montreal & Boston stock.

"By all the artifices known to manipulative Wall street, Montreal & Boston stock has been brought to the attention of the speculative world. It has been freely advertised in the newspapers as a 'sure thing'.

"Purchasers of the stock were practically guaranteed against loss. To give the process an evidence of guarantee several New York stock exchange houses lent their names and assistance to the efforts to mark up the price of the stock. Curb brokers were given unlimited orders to buy and sell the issue. Scores of them were congratulating themselves on the enormous commissions they had reaped from the execution of orders entrusted to them. Yesterday, in the collapse, all these profits were swept away.

"The speculative bubble was pricked yesterday when it became known that Munroe & Munroe were unable to take stocks for which they had given contracts. Instantly the price of Montreal & Boston collapsed on the curb. There was no market for it except at fractional quotations. It was at this point that the connection of stock exchange houses with the famous curb specially developed.

"For at least half an hour the curb market was in a state of chaos. Montreal & Boston stocks, held by the unfortunate curb brokers, were sold, 'under the rule.' These sales brought anywhere from 50 cents to \$1 a share.

"The full import of the bursting of the Montreal & Boston speculative bubble was not realized until the afternoon, when it dawned upon the brokers who had been engaged in the speculation that they were involved in a 'mining prospect' in which they had a total interest of between 250,000 and 300,000 shares. These brokers had paid between \$3 and \$3.60 a share. In all the Montreal & Boston speculation had cost a group of brokers more than \$750,000.

"A circular by Ives & Whitcher, members of the New York stock exchange, issued December 3 last, marked 'confiden-

tial,' announced that firm would pay 2 per cent. in cash of the par value of the stock provided it was deposited with Ives & Whitcher before December 19. This offer of 10 cents a share was made contingent on the execution of an option to Ives & Whitcher for \$6 a share."

THIS SHOULD SETTLE IT.

Hamilton Herald.

Solely for the benefit of the Ottawa Free Press, which will have it that Lady Curzon is the "vicereine" of India, we reprint the following from the Philadelphia Ledger, one of the most sensible of American journals:

Lady Curzon, wife of the Viceroy of India, and sometimes very erroneously described as the vicereine of India, which latter is just as correct a form of title as to speak of Mrs. Pennypacker as the governess of Pennsylvania, or Mrs. Roosevelt as the presidentess of the United States.

British Hardware.—Mr. Hugh McClelland, of the firm of McClelland Bros., wholesale hardware merchants of Birmingham, England, is en route to the coast, exploiting the advantages of the English market for the hardware business in this country. He states that the regulation that came into force in Canada on October 1 requiring the exporter to declare in all invoices the marketable value of the commodity sold, will have a great effect in preventing the extensive dumping from the United States which has prevailed for the past two or three years. That fact, together with the liberal preference allotted to Britain, give the English manufacturers every opportunity to successfully compete in the Canadian market.

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Have you doctored without benefit? Is your stomach ruined from drugs and your money wasted? Are you tired of trying useless remedies? Then come to me. I have a positive and certain cure for you in

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You put it on when you go to bed and sleep peacefully under the influence of its warming, vitalizing power. You awake full of ambition, with a healthy desire to tackle your day's work. Each symptom gradually disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and your life is made happy by the restoration of your old health.

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I have decided to reduce my present large stock of boots and shoes and am offering

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At greatly reduced prices. This is a genuine sale. The boots which I will offer are regular stock lines AT PRICES WHICH MUST SELL THEM. Remember these are not a job lot, but my regular stock. A few of the many lines which will be offered may be mentioned:

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29 pair Keith's (American) Gent's Black and Tan, G Welt, Lace, \$5.00; now\$3.50	30 pair Grain School Boots, 1 to 5, \$1.50; now\$1.20	29 pair Utz & Dunn's (American) Ladies' Patent Lace, all sizes, \$4.00; now.....\$3.00
32 pair McPherson's Gents' Congress, \$3.00; now\$2.25	39 pair Boston Calf, 1 to 5, \$1.50; now.....\$1.20	49 pair Utz & Dunn's (American) Lace, \$3.75; now\$3.00
42 pair Men's Box Calf Lace, Lined, Plain Toe, \$4.00; now\$2.85	66 pair Boys' Prime Buff, Standard, Fastened, 1 to 5, \$1.75; now\$1.45	69 pair Ladies' Fine Dress Boots, \$2.50; now\$1.90
59 pair Vici Welt Lace, \$3.50; now\$2.75	29 pair Boys' Good Wear Boots, 3's, 4's, 5's, at\$1.00	53 pair Misses' Lace and Button, Good Quality, \$1.75; now\$1.40
22 pair McPherson Gents' Pat. Pump, \$3.50; now\$2.50	39 pair Boys' Fine Box, 1 to 5, \$2.25; now\$1.85	38 pair Girls' School Boots, 11 to 2, \$1.35; now\$1.15
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